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STEP 2

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For Theo, the perfect pet for a princess
—M.L.

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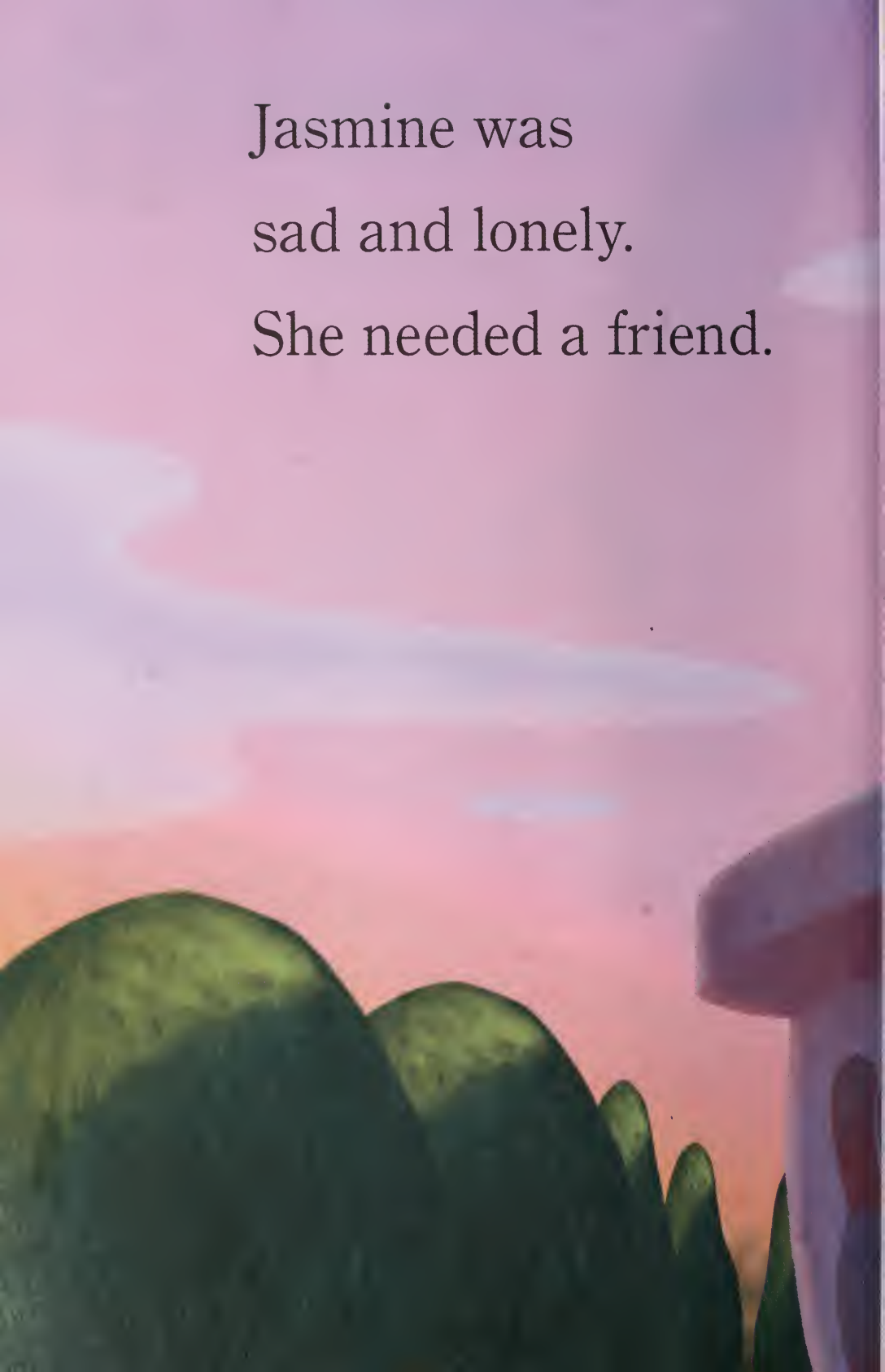
Jasmine was
sad and lonely.
She needed a friend.



"Poor Jasmine,"
said her father.
"I want to make
you happy."

The next day,
he gave Jasmine
a big gift.
"Open it," he said.

Jasmine pulled off the red sheet.

It was a tiger cub!

"I will call you Rajah,"
said Jasmine.
She was very happy.

Jasmine and Rajah did many things together.

They sat in the sun.

They watched butterflies.

They played
lots of games.

Jasmine took good care of Rajah.

She fed him.

She brushed him.

She gave him

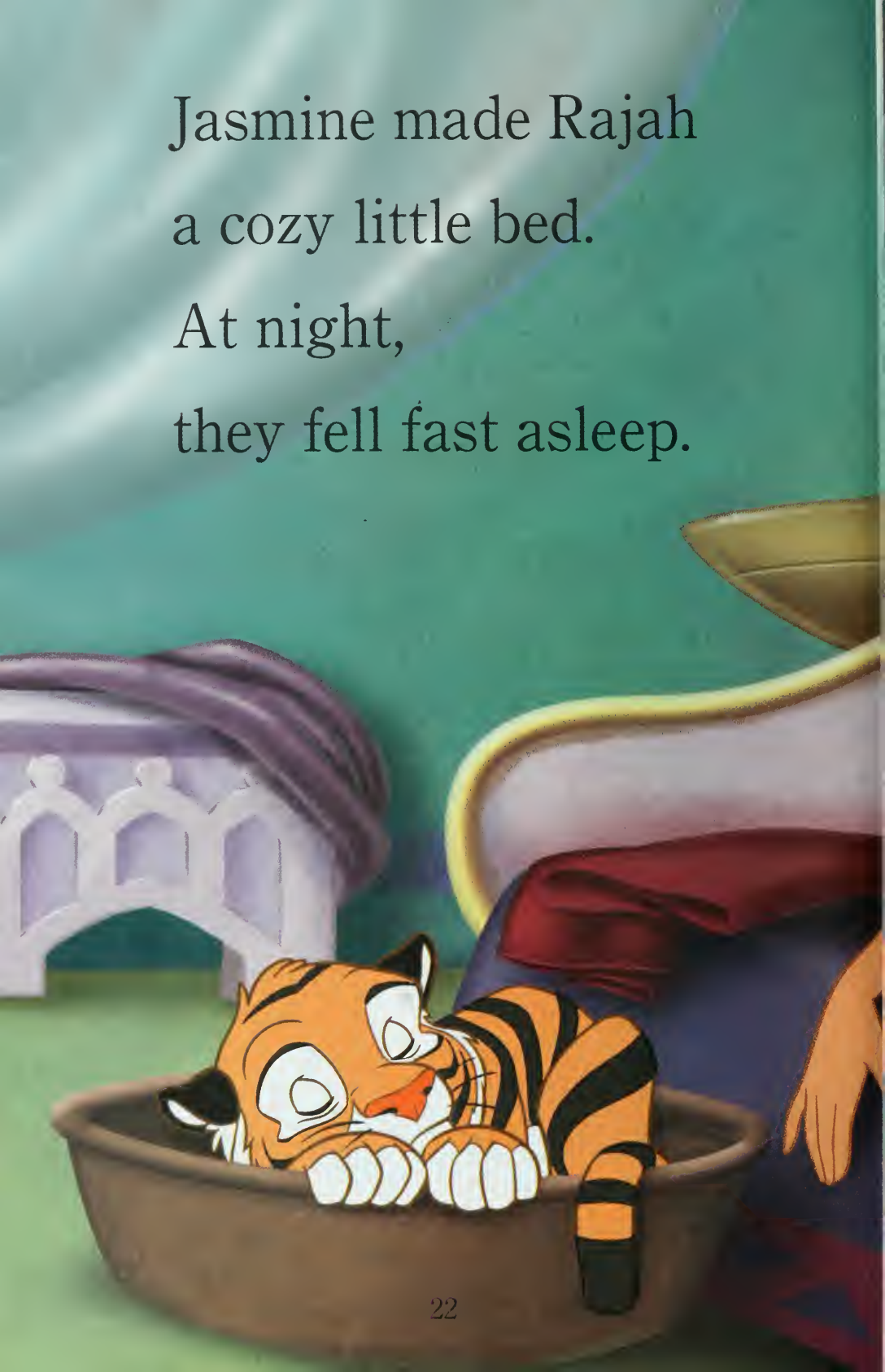
lots of love.

Jasmine liked
to rub and scratch
his furry belly.
Rajah liked it, too!
Purrrrr!

The princess kept Rajah safe from harm.

And she loved to play dress-up with him.

Jasmine made Rajah
a cozy little bed.
At night,
they fell fast asleep.



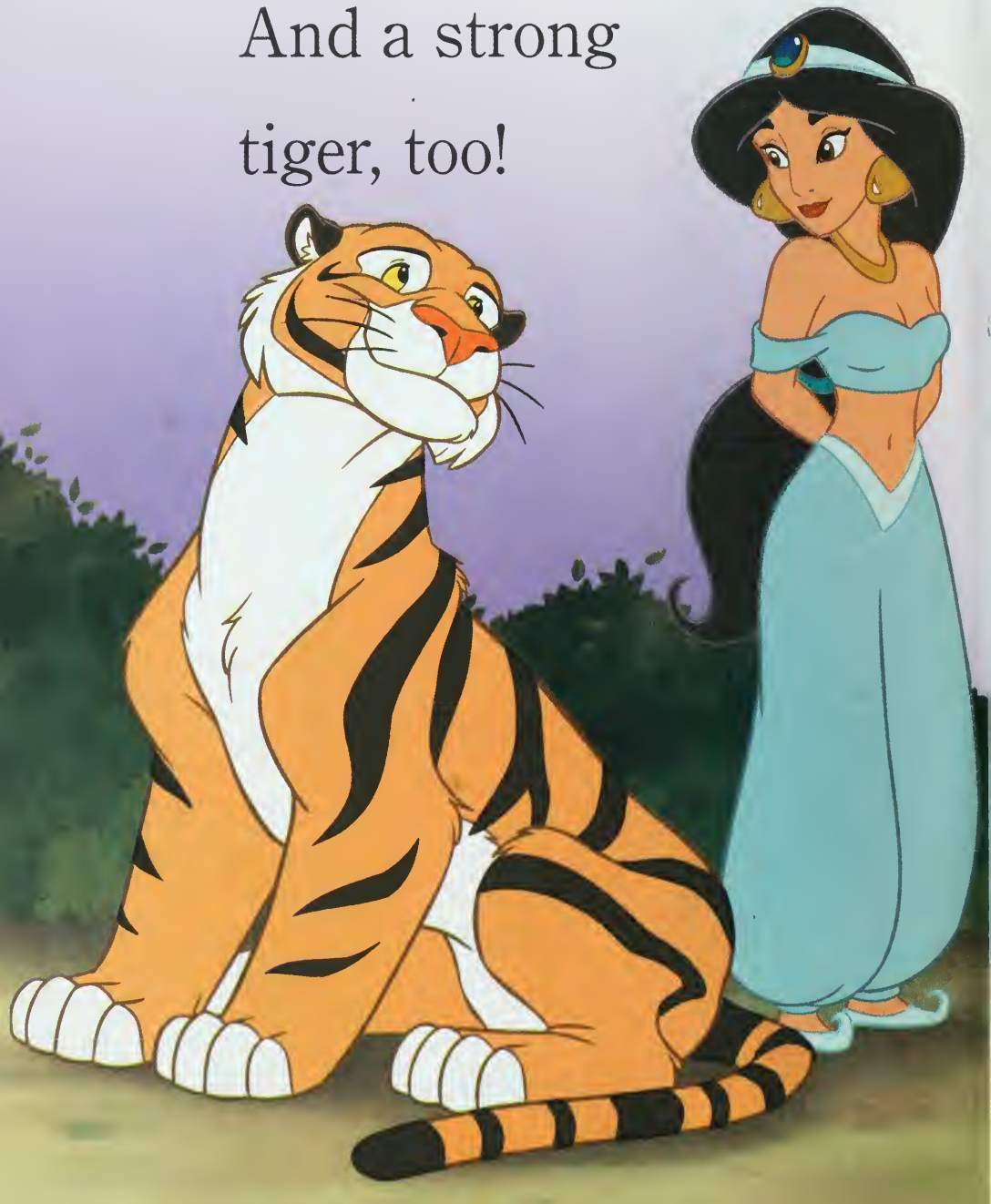
As time passed,

Rajah grew bigger . . .

and bigger . . .

. . . and bigger!

Rajah became
a very big tiger.
And a strong
tiger, too!



Now Rajah keeps
Jasmine safe
from harm.

Rajah is too big
to play dress-up.

He is too big

for his cozy little bed.

But he will never be
too big for a belly rub . . .

. . . or a hug!

If you can recognize familiar words and sound out new words with help, look for these Step into Reading books:

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Pick your favorite spot to read.
This is going to be a great book!

What this book is about . . .

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